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### **UNITED STATES MARSHALS SERVICE ARRESTS HOMICIDE SUSPECT**

San Antonio – In the early morning hours of June 16, 2005, the Lone Star Fugitive Task Force, led by the United States Marshals Service (USMS) in the Western District of Texas, along with members of the San Antonio Police Department arrested GILBERT VEGA. VEGA is a suspect in the slaying of a man in Dallas.

On June 14, 2005, VEGA and the victim exchanged words in a heated argument. VEGA left and then returned a short time later with a broken bottle. VEGA repeatedly stabbed the victim with the broken bottle.

The Dallas Police Department issued a warrant for VEGA on June 15, 2005, charging him with Homicide. The Dallas Police Department requested the assistance of the USMS led Dallas Fort Worth Fugitive Apprehension Strike Team (DFW FAST) in locating and arresting VEGA. VEGA feared he was going to be arrested and made preparations to flee the Dallas area and possibly head to San Antonio. The DFW FAST contacted the USMS Western District of Texas Lone Star Fugitive Task Force in San Antonio for assistance. Information developed by DFW FAST led members of the Lone Star Fugitive Task Force to a location in San Antonio. Lone Star Fugitive Task Force members contacted the San Antonio Police Department for assistance. Lone Star Fugitive Task Force members and San Antonio Police Officers located VEGA in a home in San Antonio where VEGA was placed under arrest.

United States Marshal for the Western District of Texas LaFayette Collins said, "The vast network the United States Marshals Service led Fugitive Task Forces have in place, along with our close working relationships with local agencies, make a lethal combination in the capturing of dangerous fugitives".